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AVCO DEDICATION TODAY



CONGRESSWOMAN EDITH NOURSE ROGERS
Congresswoman Edith Nourse Rogers, Representative of the Fifth Massachusetts District, who will be the first speaker, today, at the Dedication of the Wilmington Avco plant.

Fabian Bachrach Photo



GOVERNOR FURCOLO TO SPEAK TODAY
Gov. Foster Furcolo, of Massachusetts, who will speak at the luncheon, at Avco, during the dedication exercises of the Wilmington Avco Research & Advanced Development facility.

Fabian Bachrach Photo

Wilmington's Avco Research and Advanced Development Division, latest jewel in the Avco corporation's holdings, is to be officially dedicated today, in ceremonies that will start at 10 am., on the plant grounds.

Richard Cardinal Cushing, Roman Catholic Archbishop of Boston will be among those present. His eminence is to bless the spacious reception room of the Avco facility.

The impact of the establishment of this facility in Massachusetts and New England already has been shattering.

Avco corporation is the largest manufacturing company to establish in Massachusetts in the past decade.

Avco Research and Advanced Development division, tenant in the research center, is the largest research and development organization to settle in the Bay State in the last decade.

The Avco Research center is the largest new facility to be
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BLACK TO ASK FOR SPECIAL MEETING OF SELECTMEN ON RAILROAD DECISION

Charles H. Black, veteran selectman of Wilmington yesterday morning stated that he was going to ask immediately for a special meeting of the Board of Selectmen, to go over the latest ruling of the Department of Public Utilities, regarding service on the so-called Wildcat Railroad.

Black stated that he proposed to have the Selectmen ask for a special meeting with the State Department of Public

Works, regarding the Main St. crossing. The Main Street crossing, he stated will 'undoubtedly be the most dangerous place in Wilmington, with 32 trains a day on the Wildcat stopping traffic in Wilmington Square.'

I doubt very much, he added that the Urban Renewal Authorities, with all the good will in the world, will be able to do anything to alleviate the dangerous crossing that will

exist.

Black also pointed out that the Wildcat is extremely close to two of the residential streets of Wilmington, Clark Street and Lawrence Street. 'The people of these streets have been very much disturbed by the few trains that are going through now, in the past few weeks - what is it going to be like when the paper trains whistle for the unprotected crossings of the Wildcat Railroad during the early hours of the morning?'



LLOYD LAFFIN
Lloyd Laffin, of Veranda Ave. who has become associated with the Murphy Real Estate Company of South Main Street. Q18

BOOKMOBILE WILL CALL
Bookmobile will call at Hathaway Acres, North Wilmington, Thursday, May 21, at 3:30 p.m.

BURLINGTON AVENUE BRIDGE CLOSED ONLY THREE DAYS
Boston & Maine construction crews, Wednesday morning completed repairs of the Burlington Avenue railroad bridge, in the surprisingly short time of three days after notification by the town.

The bridge was closed to traffic Monday morning by Supt. of Highways Jimmy White, when he noticed that planking had become loose.



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A QUANDARY

The School Committee, last week, sat down to ponder a quandary - one that is recurring in many towns, but which our School Committee wants to solve in the best possible way.

The problem is this:

They are led to believe that the off-Glen Road School may not be ready for the opening date in September. The contractor lost quite a bit of time this spring, because of poor weather, and it appears that the earliest the school can be ready will be late in October.

And, being mindful of the fact that such things as shortages and strikes occur, the gentlemen of the School Committee are not being optimistic. Maybe, they are thinking, the school might possibly be not ready until some time later - say December.

The public schools will need 106 classrooms the first of September, which will be the total available if the off-Glen Road school is finished.

If the school is not ready the schools will be 12 classrooms short.

And the problem is, very simply - shall the Wilmington Public Schools have Half Sessions for a few months for 24 classes, say in the elementary classes, or shall the schools delay the starting of the 12 first grades which are expected in September.

The committee is reluctant to put children who have already had several years of study into Half Sessions. At very best they are robbed of 20% of their time and opportunity.

The alternative is to delay starting the first grade for a couple of months. This may sound simple - but it isn't.

The time will have to be made up, and this make-up time will mean (1) the loss of part of next summer's vacation, or (2) the loss of other time off during the year - say several of the lesser vacations, plus studies on Saturdays.

Which way would you vote, if you were on the school committee - in case you had to vote on such a question?

RED TAPE SNARL?

We suggest that the Town of Wilmington and our School Department was the victim of an unexpected foul shot, on May 6th., when Dr. Owen B. Kiernan, of the Massachusetts Department of Education (or someone acting in his name) released a statement that the Mildred H. Rogers School at Silver Lake was "sub-standard", meaning that it was a fire hazard, among other things.

Five years ago our then Superintendent of Schools, Clifford J. Good did list the Portable School, adjacent to the Mildred H. Rogers as being sub-standard. He also so listed the Maple Meadow School of no fond memory. Both schools have since been converted to other uses.

Our Mildred H. Rogers School is not sub-standard. We have four schools built of wood in Wilmington, and the Rogers School is the most modern and safest of these four. Our only criticism of this school is that the windows are too high for the children.

The good doctor, we suggest, has become the victim of a red-tape snarl, within his own Department.

SUSIE'S SONNETS



A CUTE ANGLE

If Morse lacks use

For Mrs. Luce,

It's NOT because

The dove's obtuse.

WILMINGTON AND AVCO

Today, in a formal sense the impact of Avco on Wilmington, and New England is coming to a fruition. But in a greater sense the impact of Avco has long since been felt, in regions far removed from our granite hills.

Many things and many people are involved, and the story is one of typical, responsive democracy - the modern American capitalistic type of democracy.

The Avco Research & Development Center being dedicated today is a product of our times, and in the larger sense, of our people.

The original idea probably stems from a man who is anathema to the Russian way of thinking in today's world, - a capitalistic son of a capitalist. Victor Emanuel, Chairman of the Board of Avco is the man who first had the concept of a modern laboratory dedicated to Research, with emphasis on the Space Age. This it should be noted, was before the age of Sputnik I, before the bleep bleep of that satellite impinged itself on the imagination of the world.

Emanuel gathered a group of scientists together, back in 1954, to discuss the idea. From that idea was born the concept, backed with hard case, that research in the most modern of all things could be made a paying enterprise.

The men Emanuel gathered into his group are a veritable list of Who's Who in the Scientific World of today - Dr. Arthur Kantrowitz, physicist of Cornell University, who first proposed simulating in a laboratory the conditions which a ballistic missile would encounter in flight - Dr. Jack A. Kyger, nuclear physicist formerly associated with Vice Admiral Hymen Rickover, in the planning of nuclear submarines, Dr. Charles J. Burton, Dr. Jack Silvers, and others who may be described as living in a world of their own, compared to the average man.

These are the men who are making the impact of Avco felt, today - who have demonstrated the faith of the Chairman of the Board, - who are demonstrating that even Research can pay dividends.

The Avco Research & Advanced Development Division was activated, back in 1955, in Stratford, Connecticut. Immediately there started a search for the best possible site for what these men were envisioning - an ideal physical laboratory.

That search led towards Metropolitan Boston, because of the unparalleled educational facilities of the area. The search eventually led to Wilmington, and that in itself is a story worth relating.

Wilmington, some ten years ago, was one of the smaller bedroom towns of Boston - a town that was feeling adversely the effect of the post-war mushrooming of population.

Because of its geography it apparently had little to offer. It was not one of those fortunate towns which were on the "Golden Circle" of Route 128. It had no major highways. Industrially it left much to the imagination. It was close enough to Lawrence and Lowell to suffer from the economic stagnation of those two cities.

In effect Wilmington was an ugly duckling, bursting with population growth and threatened with an ever growing tax rate.

Deliberately this town decided on a new face for itself - a new way of living. It adopted a Town Manager plan, for government, and, while it was at it, it adopted one of the "strongest" Town Manager plans in the Commonwealth.

For several years the town progressed slowly. Several industrial firms, attracted by the new outlook, chose to locate here - chief among them being the J. W. Greer Company, the Raffi & Swanson Company, the Unit Packet Company and a new firm - National Polychemicals. These firms had faith that the town would find itself.

But Wilmington had yet to find itself. There was a degree of improvement, but the improvement was slow.

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TOWN NOTES

Mother's Day
Let it be recorded that Mother's Day had perfect weather, following a week of the same. Our forsythia have been blooming for the past few weeks, and the apple blossoms are now appearing. The maples, in the past week unfolded their leaves, and now the oaks are just starting - which of course is the time to plant corn - for the corn borer and assorted insects and smuts, not to mention blue jays and crows.

The water level in the brooks and streams has dropped down to a decent level, so that fishing by the weekend had become a pleasure. We didn't hear of any good catches, though, except for Ralph Figgar, who pulled two 14 inch Browns out of his secret spot in the Ipswich.

School Hours

No one can say that there are not enough classes in the Swain School.

The bell signal system, which rings for change of classes, now rings all day - and all night.

Two Ton Whump

Hagerty's Ski Jump disappeared, last Thursday afternoon. A two ton charge of dynamite, perhaps the largest used to date in the current construction of Interstate Route 93, demolished most of what remains of the picturesquely named curve at the end of High Street.

To paraphrase Abraham Lincoln's words about the Mississippi River, after the fall of Vicksburg, Route 93 now flows unhampered from the South Wilmington line to Salem Street.

Pigeons

We related in this column a few weeks ago the sad story of the pigeons in the Congregational Church steeple, and how they were taken away - only some of them escaped.

This week we not only have a sequel, but a prologue. It seems that the pigeons who were discouraged from roosting in the Cong. Chh. are now picking on the Center School, and every now and then they get emmeshed with the ventilating system of said school, with usually fatal results to said pigeon.

The prologue is that they had come, in the first place, from the Roman House. Tony Thiel after many tries, finally succeeded in convincing them that the Roman House was the place to roost.

So Tony has the same problem all over again - now at the Center School.

The Asa Sheldon Book

The Asa Sheldon Book, as the people of Wilmington know it, properly entitled 'The Life of a Wilmington Farmer' has now been reprinted, by the Wilmington Women's Club, and been distributed. 100 copies of the book were printed.

Asa Sheldon, who described himself as a farmer, was one of the early contractors of Massachusetts, who, among other tasks, had the job of removing the top of Pemberton Hill in Boston. He helped to construct the Boston & Lowell railroad, now the Boston & Maine, from Boston to Lowell, the first steam railroad in New England, and also was one of the prime contractors for the construction of that part of the Boston and Maine that goes from Wilmington Junction to Boston, through North Wilmington.

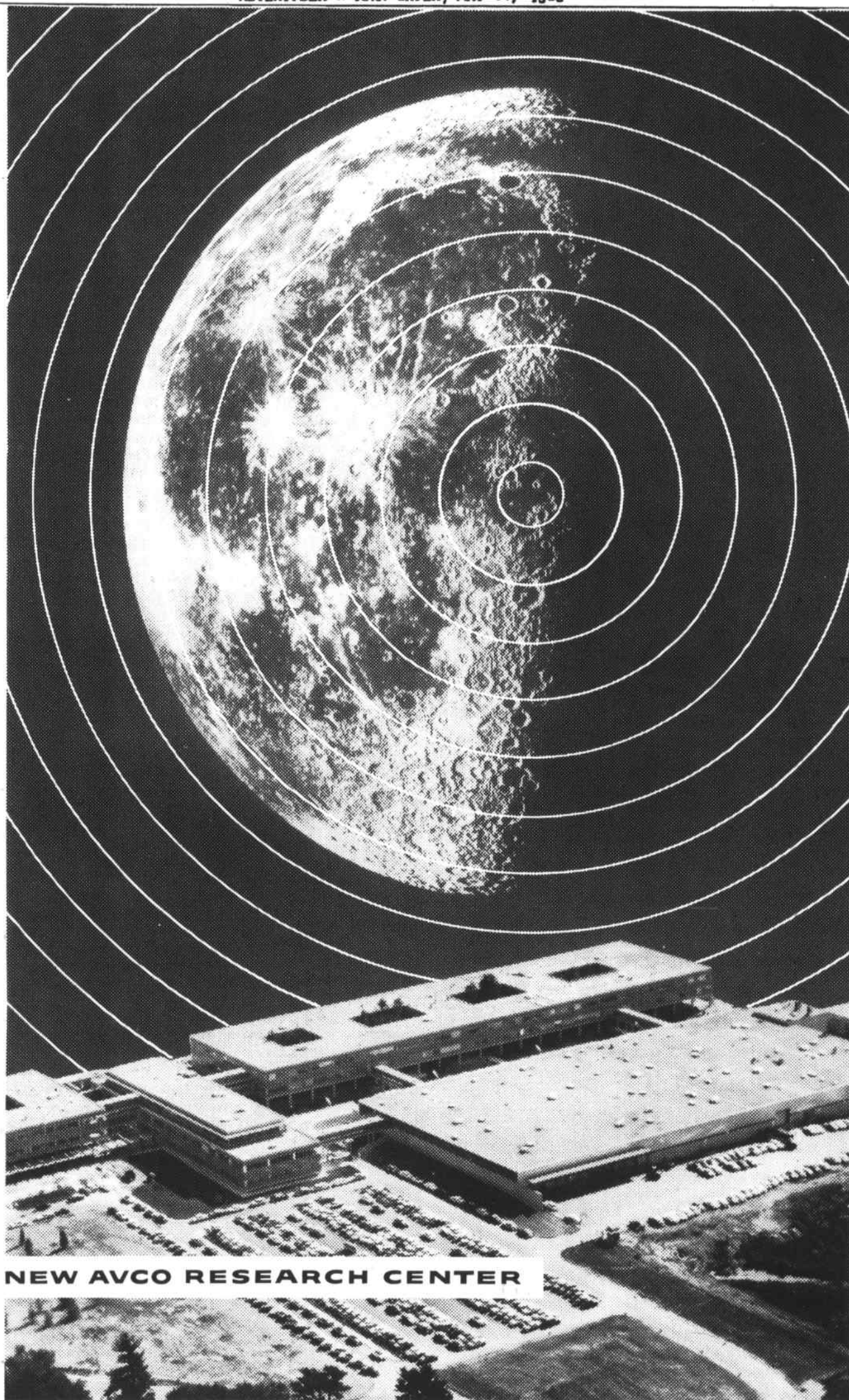
That section of the railroad was opened July 4, 1945, and was constructed only after a lawsuit, because the Boston & Lowell believed it had the only rights for a railroad going northwest out of Boston.

Sheldon's home is still in existence, on Woburn Street, being known to most people simply as an address '604 Woburn Street'.

Pozzuolana

Pozzuolana is a type of cement, made from volcanic earth. It takes its name from Pozzuoli, a place near Naples, in

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NEW AVCO RESEARCH CENTER

Space age research gets a new headquarters

One of the largest and best-equipped research facilities in the nation is the new 16-million-dollar Avco Research Center at Wilmington, Massachusetts. Here, research and development in space age technology is already being conducted in areas ranging from missile re-entry to satellite design. From work such as this—and equally important work at the nearby Avco Research Laboratory—will come further contributions to national security and the conquest of space!

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Avco

This is the Avco Research Center, the home of their Research and Advanced Development Division, where more than 2,300 scientists, engineers, administrative and other personnel are working on basic and applied research with facilities second to none in the nation. From its creative atmosphere can be expected to come more of the dramatic breakthroughs which have marked Avco's contributions to space technology. There was the famous Avco shock tube which solved the problem of missile re-entry into the earth's atmosphere, and the development of the nose cone for the Air Force Titan. There's the development of new kinds of high-temperature materials for use in our space age missiles, capsules and eventually space ships. For Avco's activities are many and diverse, ranging from color TV broadcasting and farm machinery production to the big question of man in space and how to bring him back alive.

By virtue of its "scientific, educational, and intellectual environment", Greater Boston has been chosen by many leaders of industry, especially those engaged in extensive research. To welcome another, to share in its contribution to the national security, its development of new products for better living, its brilliant and inevitable continuing growth — this is a privilege our community has earned and shares with pride.

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It wasn't until Joseph Courtney was appointed Town Manager of Wilmington that the town began to really progress. Mr. Courtney was the type of individual who was not only a master of the technical side of government, but one who had the imagination to go with that ability. His appointment was the beginning of a revolution in the Town of Wilmington.

Not everything that happened was due solely to this man. There were plenty of inspired people who now came forward to do the serious work of the town. The point is that Courtney provided the stimulus for the thinking that followed. He was, in effect, the personal catalyst, the professional expert.

Within a few months there was to be found in Wilmington a greatly enlarged outlook. The various boards began to act in a more harmonious manner. They were being welded into a team which had more than politics as its goal. Theirs was the goal of giving the very best, in Wilmington, that it was possible to have.

But there were some very important — and very painful decisions to be made. The type of decision that faced the people of Wilmington is one that is often seen in textbooks on government — but rarely in practice.

The decisions were taken in their stride — with the result that Wilmington became known as a text-book community, where things that should be done were done.

First came the adoption of a new and modern Zoning By Law, after one and a half years of careful study. The people of the town were willing to try the idea, and voted money to hire expert outside assistance.

The result was hailed by the Massachusetts Department of Commerce as the "model zoning law" — in fact, not much more than a year ago TIME magazine cited this zoning law as being an excellent example of forethought, in relationship to the Federal Interstate Highway system in the United States.

But the Zoning Law was only a small part. The town voted to have a complete reappraisal of taxable property, which assured everyone of an equitable distribution of the tax burden, and, more than any other factor, assured incoming industry that it would be treated fairly and in a strictly business like manner.

In practically simultaneous moves, new health regulations, new housing regulations, a rigorous building sub-division code, a rejuvenated road program and a massive long-range expansion of the water system were instituted. Plans for the eventual public sewerage were started.

It wasn't easy. Many committees spent long hours at the job, and the Town Meetings were free with expressions of opinion.

Wilmington wasn't only looking inwards. Its gaze was on the future — and it overlooked nothing. It was out to stabilize itself, and no bets were being missed.

In fact Wilmington became the most aggressive Town in Massachusetts for seizing Federal funds to support its planning and execution of new programs.

One striking result, early in the game was the upgrading of Wilmington's Credit Rating by the Moody Investment Service. At just about the same time that this company was dropping the credit rating of Massachusetts it raised the rating of Wilmington from A to AA — the first such favorable revision in several years in this state and one that was running contrary to the trend.

Another plus factor was the initiation of Urban Renewal, in Wilmington. It was the first town in the Commonwealth to establish its eligibility to participate in what is a very complex and intricate Federal program, but Wilmington earned its right to do so because the very rigorous overhauling of the past few years had complied with the requirements of the Federal Government.

It was at about this time that Avco started its search, through special consultants who were directed to Wilmington and other towns by the Mass. Department of Commerce.

Only a few people were aware of what was happening at that time. The secret was held tightly — not even the name of the company was revealed during the first few months, but eventually the Selectmen and a few others knew that Avco was interested in moving to Wilmington.

Let it be noted that this was during a time of crisis, for the Town Manager plan was up for a referendum vote — to see if it should be retained.

Before the final day of a bitter campaign there must have been many temptations to reveal the negotiations that were going on. One little hint would have been certain to change the attitude of many voters — but the Selectmen and others who knew demonstrated their integrity — and the town voted its confidence by retaining the Town Manager plan.

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THE LITTLE LEAGUE PARADE LAST SATURDAY



HIS HONOR AND THE PRESIDENT
Mayor George Spanos and President Al Kasabuski, of the Little League, led the parade, flanked by Honor Guards from the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 2458. Q1



STEVENS DODGERS
Steven's Dodgers, of the minor leagues. Q6



UNIT PACKET TIGERS
The Little League Tigers, champions twice in succession led the parade. Q3



ROTARY CLUB BRAVES
There always has to be a character. Notice the boy in the right fore-ground. Q7



RED SOX AND YANKEES
Cain's Red Sox and the Avco Yankees presented a fine appearance. Q4



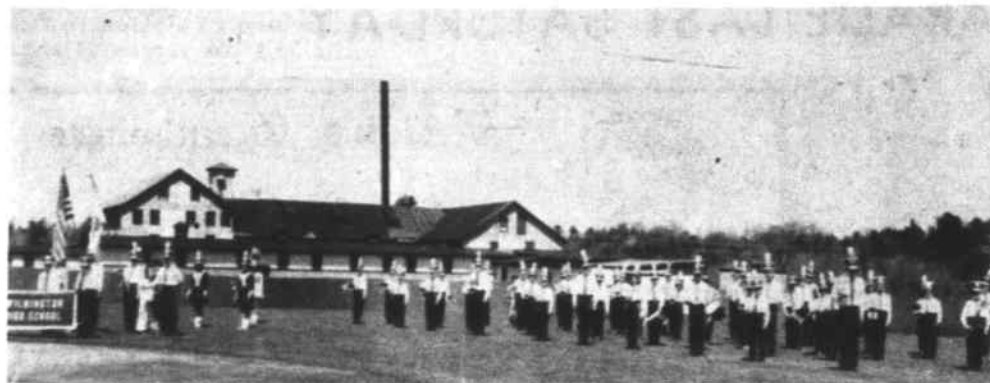
MCMANARA'S CARDINALS
One of the better teams in the minor league. Q8



CHISHOLM'S INDIANS
Obviously missing a couple of members, and their coach Eddie Sullivan. Q5



BOWLADROME GIANTS
The boy in the foreground looks as though he is carrying a knife in his teeth. Q9



THE WILMINGTON HIGH SCHOOL BAND
The band, as usual, presented a very fine appearance. Photograph taken just after the band had played the Star Spangled Banner. Q2



HIS HONOR STARTS THE GAME
His Honor, George Spanos, Honorary Mayor of Wilmington officially started the game with an unintended curve to President Al Kasabuski Q10

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READY
Joe Tennihan, of the Red Sox, at bat, waiting for the first pitch. The catcher is Peter Malatesta, of the Tigers, a boy to watch this year. Umpire Tom Dromgoole is behind that mask.

ON THE WAUGHPATH

RED SOX AVALANCHED TIGERS IN L.L. OPENER

Little League fans were treated to a little bit of everything Saturday afternoon when all four major league teams met in the season's opening doubleheader.

The Unit Packet Tigers, last year's league champions, ran into a hornet's nest of Red Sox players in the first game when they were buried under a 26-4 avalanche. Wayne Hamilton and Johnny Pevillacqua led the Red Stocking attack with a pair of home runs each. Veteran pitcher Frank Ingram was the beneficiary of the Red Sox 17-hit barrage, featured by two consecutive 9-run innings which clinched the game. With this ferocious start the rejuvenated Red Sox will serve notice on the rest of the league that they are definite contenders for the league title this year.

In the second game the AVCO Yankees bested the Chisholm Indians, 5-2, in a completely different type of game. Hits were hard to come by for both clubs as Pete Emery and Yankee Duke Garland hooked up in an old-fashioned pitcher's duel.

Ceremonies

The festivities were a little late getting underway, but the marching players and officials who had started at Masonic Hall, picked up the snappy high school band en route to the Little League park where they made a grand entrance onto the playing field. With both major and minor league players lining the foul lines, the official flag-raising ceremony was held behind home plate before Honorary Mayor George Spanos threw out the first ball.



FIRST RUN

Bob Carney, of King Street, 3rd Base for the Red Sox, is a terrific player. He was the first Little Leaguer to cross the plate this year. Q12

Sox Are Sharp

The Red Sox started off the first game in rather ordinary fashion when their first two batters went down on strikes, but their offensive built up a head of steam as it rolled

along, with three Tiger pitchers being the victims. Dick Woods, who was a Yankee last year, and Joe Tennihan, in his second year as Red Sox catcher played exceedingly well, but this year the Cain Red Sox are so well-balanced that it is difficult to single out any players as exceptional.

Heads-up Yankees

Alert base-running and smart fielding were the difference in the Yankee-Indian contest, where both pitchers were so stingy with the base hits. Duke Garland gave up only three hits for the winners and allowed no runs until the last inning when the Yankees had a commanding 5-0 lead. Newcomer Ken Sarchione banged out one hit in his first game as a Yankee and kept Indian base-runners honest with his rifle throws to the bases from his catching position.

Notes & Briefs

Overheard: One 13-year old Little League graduate (very seriously after the four Red Sox homers) 'They moved the fence in this year, you know.' Howard Britt, Al Dell Isola, Joe Peters and others kept pretty busy at the concession stand. Those hot dogs weren't too bad when you consider they were made within foul ball range.

There were mixed reactions when Lynn Fillings took advantage of an Indian lapse to steal second with a head-first slide. Manager Tony Toti was delighted; mother Faye Fillings was aghast. She has to clean the uniform. Incidentally, Lynn and Kirk Anderson give the Yankees a steady second base combination this year, as both came up with outstanding plays afield.

All four home runs were hit to the 'opposite' field. If the pitching rubber hadn't been moved back two feet this year, would they have been home runs or not??

Booster Banquet

The Wilmington High School Fooster Association's annual banquet will be held Saturday, June 6, at 6:30 P.M. in the high school gymnasium. Those who would like to attend can purchase tickets from George Byas (8-4123) Mrs. Fairfield (8-3823) or Robert Hastings (8-3457) at \$2.25 each. Coach Fred Fellissimo has tickets for students who are interested in attending.

NEW BEACH TAGS TO BE ISSUED SATURDAY AT TOWN HALL

The Town Clerk is to issue new beach tags, for use by Wilmington residents who use the Town Beach, at Silver Lake. The Town Hall will be open all day Saturday, for this.

The new identification tags will supplant the ones previously issued, which will not be used any more.

The Town Hall will be open from 9 am to 5 pm for this purpose.

BROWNIES WILL NOT BE IN MEMORIAL DAY PARADE

The Brownies, in the Wilmington Girl Scouts, will not be a part of the annual Memorial Day Parade, this spring.

Girl Scout leaders of Wilmington made the decision Tuesday morning not to allow the girls - who are 7 to 10 years old, to participate.

National policy of the Girl Scouts prohibits Brownies from participating, a fact that the Wilmington leaders were not aware of. In addition, the Wilmington leaders felt that the little girls get too tired and lose the zest for the parade, which they would ordinarily have in their intermediate years - i.e. after 10 years old.

ST THOMAS NEWS

MASSSES: Sunday 7, 8, 9 (church and hall), 10, 11 (church and hall), 12

Weekday 7, 7:30 a.m.

Next Sunday there will be no 9 o'clock Mass at Villanova Hall because of the CDA Communion Breakfast.

SATURDAY: 10 a.m. - Catechism Classes will be resumed.

Virgil of Pentecost - a day of Fast and Partial Abstinence (meat is allowed once).

NEXT SUNDAY: CDA Communion Breakfast after the 8 o'clock Mass.

Communion day for the girls and young women of the parish.

1:15 p.m. Cars will leave for the Carmelite Monastery in Hamilton. Father Flavian has invited the 7th and 8th grade school boys to meet the Prior, to tour the grounds, enjoy movies and refreshments, and attend the closing Benediction.

COMING: May Procession in conjunction with the Triduum in honor of Our Lady of Fatima.

June 19-21-A Special Retreat for engaged couples will be held at the Sacred Heart Retreat House in Waltham. For further information please contact the Stigmatine Fathers in Waltham.

PRAYERS: Mrs. George Cushing - speedy recovery or a happy death. Clarence Doucette - 1st Anniv. High Reg. Saturday at 8 a.m. James Ferrigan. Our Sick and Deceased Parishioners.

WILMINGTON CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH NEWS

Sunday May 17, 1959

9:30 a.m. First Service of Worship Kinderkirk and Church School

11 a.m. Second Service of Worship with Choir Kinderkirk and Church School

7 p.m. Fireside Fellowship in Parish House.

Monday May 18, 1959

3 p.m. North Franch Twigs in Parish House.

Tuesday May 19, 1959

7 p.m. Junior Choir in Vestry
3 p.m. Finance Committee in Parish House

Wednesday May 20, 1959

8 p.m. Choir rehearsal in Parish House.

Thursday May 21, 1959

8 p.m. Religious Education Committee in Parish House.

Friday May 22, 1959

7 p.m. Boy Scouts in Vestry

The flowers for the morning service of May 17, 1959 are given by Mrs. Elizabeth Pedell in loving memory of Howard Redell.

A MESSAGE FROM SENATOR SALTONSTALL



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United States Senate COMMITTEE ON ARMED SERVICES

May 9, 1959

Research and development of new weapons and of new uses for products for peaceful purposes provide a great opportunity for our industrial leaders and our industrial workers in these exciting days of scientific advancement in the age of space. The world is growing so much smaller and our standards of living are improving so rapidly that there is today a greater opportunity than ever to satisfy human curiosity and human needs. Not only can we through our research make our defenses more secure, but as well we can contribute to a happy life in what we hope will be a more peaceful world.

The official dedication of Avco's magnificent new Research and Development plant in Wilmington is an example of putting this opportunity to work. Avco brings this laboratory to Wilmington because it knows that in our Commonwealth it finds an ideal opportunity to carry on its work - we have the universities, the scientific leaders, the industrial know-how and the skilled workers that make it possible for such important research to be carried on.

I join you in thanking Avco for bringing to Wilmington this development that will be so helpful not only to Wilmington, but to the entire Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

L. Saltonstall

Leverett Saltonstall
United States Senator

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FURCOLO SIGNED GRAVEL BILL LAST THURSDAY

The removal of gravel from pits in Wilmington, other than in pits licensed by the Board of Selectmen, became illegal at 11:30 am last Thursday morning.

Governor Foster Furcolo, at that time signed House Bill 2475, which now becomes Chapter 287 of the Acts of 1959. The new law prohibits the removal of gravel under any circumstance other than in the Zoning Laws.

Representative Tom Donohue announced the signing, shortly thereafter.

Donohue stated that the telegrams sent in the few days previously had had a lot to do with the Governor's decision.

Telegrams had been sent by Francis Hagerty, Selectman, the Board of Selectmen, and 48 people who had attended the Gravel Forum, a week ago Tuesday, at the Baldwin Club.

CHAPTER 287 THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Fifty Nine.

AN ACT authorizing the Town of Wilmington to regulate or prohibit by By-Law the further removal of soil, loam, sand or gravel from certain land.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

Section 1. Notwithstanding the provisions of any special or general law to the contra-

ry, the town of Wilmington may regulate or prohibit by zoning or general by law, or by any amendment thereof the further removal of soil, loam, sand or gravel from land not in public use even though such land was being used for such purposes at the time of the adoption of said ordinance or by-law.

Section 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage. House of Representatives, April 27, 1959. Passed to be enacted (s) Cornelius F. Kieran, Acting Speaker.

In Senate, April 28, 1959. Passed to be enacted, John E. Powers, President.

May 7, 1959, Approved at 11 o'clock and 30 minutes, A.M. Foster Furcolo, Governor.

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Foster Furcolo
Governor

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts
Executive Department
State House, Boston

The dedication of Avco's Research and Development Division is an event of far reaching importance to all of us.

It is significant that the Wilmington Research Center deals with the technology of the future for the space age, which overwhelmed us so suddenly, will be an integral part of our daily lives in the years to come.

The results of the research forthcoming from the work carried on here will have a direct bearing on the welfare and well-being of our people, our state, and our nation.

The leaders of the Avco Corporation, who envisioned and developed this Research Center, are to be congratulated for their foresight and their enterprise. We here in Massachusetts are proud and happy that they elected to carry on their vital work in our state.

The citizens of this Commonwealth join with me in wishing the Avco Corporation and its new Research and Development Division every good wish for its success.

Foster Furcolo

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The members and friends of the Wilmington Methodist Church are privileged to have Miss Myra Fergman a graduate student of Radcliffe College, speak during the service of worship on Sunday, May 17 at 10:30 a.m. Miss Fergman was among the American students involved in the student exchange program with Russia last summer, and is doing her major study in Russia Regional Studies at Radcliffe.

The Methodist Men of the local church had the privilege of hearing her a few months ago and felt that it was one of the finest talks they've had the opportunity of hearing. Her

keen insight into the mental, emotional and spiritual life of the people and particularly the students in Russia was presented in a clear, warm and inspirational manner.

The members of the Women's Society of Christian will participate in the service of worship as the worship hour is under their leadership and particularly the Secretary of the Status of Women, Mrs. Dudley Plake.

A cordial invitation has been extended to all persons of Wilmington and the surrounding communities to share in this inspirational and informative hour of worship on Sunday, May 17 at 10:30 a.m.



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(Parenthetically it should be noted that Wilmington had a similar referendum just this spring, and it resulted in an overwhelming vote of confidence in the Town Manager plan)

When Avco made its decision many of Wilmington's competitors wondered about the kind of concession made by the town to persuade Avco to locate here.

Perhaps the fact that there were no concessions of any kind whatsoever, other than a guarantee of fair play and good municipal service, is the really striking feature, and the answer to the other communities.

Avco said this, not too long ago, when it published:

'After deciding to locate in the Greater Boston area, Avco management investigated 75 communities. The town of Wilmington stood head and shoulder above the rest as a permanent home site for this Avco division'

'Through its unique town-manager form of government, Wilmington succeeded in attracting Avco and providing a healthy and realistic business climate for both parties concerned. From the early programs of industrial rezoning and property revaluation, to the problems of land development, engineering, water, sewerage and taxes, Avco and Wilmington management worked side by side to achieve the honest, fair and realistic goals which benefit everyone'

'Avco is sincerely grateful for the business-like relationship and cordial hospitality accorded by the Town of Wilmington. It reaffirms today this good-neighbor policy as the rule of conduct in its permanent home'

Wilmington, it can be observed, invited Avco to share its future - not its problems.

SAVE THE LADY SLIPPERS

Once again we launch our annual plea to our readers to please be considerate of the only orchid that grows in New England - the Lady Slipper.

We can expect this fragile flower to be in bloom in about a week. It seeks the shady nooks and haunts of our woodlands, hoping to grow in un-noticed loneliness.

But its beauty is its doom. Year after year there are fewer and fewer of these lovely flowers. Year after year children gather them, to take home to mama.

The Lady Slipper has only two seeds. It has a very poor chance to survive, in this urban age. Those chances, poor and slim, are being destroyed, more and more, every year.

Go pick dandelions, instead. They have millions of seeds. One more or less of the dandelion tribe will make no difference.

Town Notes (fr pg 2)

Italy.

We remark upon it because of an item in the Christian Science Monitor, last Monday which told of the discovery of a large deposit of this type of soil on Vancouver Island, British Columbia.

Wilmington was at one time one of the biggest users of pozzuolana. At the time the Middlesex Canal was constructed, about 1800, this was the only type of cement known, and it was imported by the shipload, for use on the stonework of the canal. A shipload, of course, in those days, comprised only a few hundred tons

Tom Will Not Be There
Representative Tom Donohue, of Woburn, one of those who has been invited to attend the

Avco dedication had to regretfully decline - and when we say regretfully we mean regretfully.

Tom is on the Railroad Committee, in the House of Representatives, and he has to travel to the South Shore, today to inspect the proposals in connection with the Old Colony Railroad.

Wonderful Music

It was even better than the De Haven Glee Club was the verdict Friday night.

The verdict was by the guests of the Rotary Club, at the Scholarship Dance, as they listened to the Pay State Singers.

The Pay State group is a semi-professional organization of singers from all over Boston, who have been organized by Dominic Di Grassia, Music Director of the Wilmington

Public Schools, and a resident of Arlington.

He has George McLaughlin of Malden, for accompanist, and two of the outstanding stars are Mrs. Richard Cella, contralto, from Lynn, and James Alberti, tenor, of Wakefield.

A Serious Affront

Call out the attorneys! Get Philip Buzzell on the phone - Si Cutter - Alan Altman!

A serious affront has been committed to the fair name of the Town of Wilmington - Massachusetts, that is.

In the first time in his life that he perhaps ever mentioned Wilmington (Massachusetts) on the radio, Lowell Thomas, Tuesday evening, had to confuse it with Wilmington (Delaware).

Yessir! He had to go and say that the new Avco laboratory is in Wilmington Delaware!

He should have known better, too - for Lowell Thomas once upon a time lectured in Wilmington, in the Grange Hall.

It was a report of his trips in Malaya, and was done under the auspices of the Sarah D. J. Carter Lecture Committee, back about 1925.

Of course we don't expect Lowell to remember the hick town of 1925, where he did a one night stop, but just the same we must admit that rarely have we had such an opportunity to feel terribly aggrieved that he doesn't remember our fair town!

SHOW-O-RAMA

Wilmington Coal & Oil Company has announced that its Heating & Air Conditioning Show-O-Rama will be open from 10:30 a.m. to 9 p.m. on Thursday and Friday and from 10:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday.

The Show-O-Rama is located on Main Street, Wilmington only 1/4 mile north of the railroad station.

The Show-O-Rama will be the first show of its kind ever held in a tent in Wilmington and is expected to attract large crowds from Wilmington and vicinity to study the latest in oil heating and air conditioning equipment that will be displayed.

Every visitor at the Show-O-Rama will receive a free gift from Wilmington Coal & Oil Co. and become eligible for the many door prizes that will be given away. The feature prize will be 1000 gallons of fuel oil for a lucky visitor. There will be prizes of household appliances made daily.

Miss Thrifti-Guardian, hostess of the Show-O-Rama, will be in Wilmington all during the show to greet visitors and distribute tickets to the show. The beautiful Scotch miss, dressed in full regalia, symbolizes the Thrifti-Guardian Plan which is a new system of complete heat planning offered exclusively by Wilmington Coal & Oil Company in this area.

The Thrifti-Guardian Plan will be displayed at the Show-O-Rama as will the many other services and facilities offered by the Wilmington Coal & Oil Company.

The location of the Show-O-

Rama, in the Big Tent right on Main Street has been arranged by Wilmington Coal & Oil Company to make it convenient for the greatest number of people to attend.

According to A.L. Osterman, General Manager of Wilmington Coal & Oil Company, the show is designed to be of interest to both men and women. Many of the features of the new equipment are designed expressly for women while men will be interested in the modern mech-

anics and design of the equipment.

TREE DEPARTMENT IN NEW TREE PLANTING PROGRAM

The Wilmington Tree Department has started a new tree planting program, partly as a result of the disappearing elm trees, being destroyed because of the Dutch Elm Disease. 16 Maples were planted, during the last week, on Salem Street.

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THE STAR OF THE EVENING
Kenney Fitzgibbons, TV and Radio Show Stopper, who was the star of the evening, last Friday, during the Rotary Club Scholarship Dance. Q19



AT THE ROTARY DANCE
Selectman and Mrs. Frank Hagerty, Rotary President Dr. Henry Foster and Mrs. Foster, and Supt. of Schools John Collins, with Mrs. Collins, at the Rotary Scholarship Fund Dance, in the High School, last Friday. Q14

NATIONAL POLYCHEMICALS APPOINTS WEST COAST DISTRIBUTOR
National Polychemicals, Inc., Wilmington, Mass., announces the appointment of The B. E. Dougherty Company, Los Angeles California, as their West Coast sales agent. The Dougherty Company have long been one of the leading distributors of pigments, chemicals, compounding ingredients and other materials and equipment to the West Coast rubber industry. They now will stock and sell National Polychemicals' blowing agents and rubber compounding materials through their offices and warehouses in Los Angeles, San Francisco and Portland, Oregon. This announcement is being made jointly by Edward V. Osberg, National Polychemicals' President and Mr. Bert E. Dougherty, Jr., General Manager of BEDCO in the interest of more and better services to the rubber industry on the Pacific Coast.

STORES APPLYING FOR SUNDAY LICENSES

The Board of Selectmen, in executive session, Monday evening discussed the latest application for a Sunday license from a Wilmington store - one submitted by Steven's Supermarket, Monday.

The application was believed to result directly from the fact that Lucci's Market had received such a license, the week previously.

Chief of Police Paul Lynch is to be asked to attend the Selectmen's meeting, next Monday, to talk over the situation.

A Sunday license was granted, during the 'open' part of the meeting to George's Market, on Lowell Street.

DOG CLINIC SATURDAY

The annual clinic for immunization of dogs against rabies is to be held in the Town Garage, Saturday, between the hours of 1 and 4 pm.

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Avco's technology of the future, today, in Wilmington, becomes America's technology of today. I join with others in this happy occasion, in congratulating the far sighted officials of the Avco corporation, and the government and people of one of the most progressive towns within our Commonwealth.

Frank Tanner, Representative
18th Middlesex District

The technology of space has suddenly become one of the most important things in the world. We of the United States are fortunate that we have a corporation like Avco, which is willing to invest tremendous sums into their Research and Advancement Division, which is being dedicated today.

In building for the future we pray that we are building for a peaceful one. The ability of the dedicated men and women of Avco will do much to ensure this.

May the good Lord prosper this enterprise, so significantly placed in the midst of our homes, in the fine old Middlesex County town of Wilmington. My very best personal wishes to Avco, and to the people of Wilmington.

Thomas F. Donohue
Representative, 18th
Middlesex District

**INTERPLANETARY SHOCK WAVES
REPRODUCED: SPEEDS
EXCEEDING ONE MILLION MPH
OBTAINED**

Everett, Mass. -Avco Corporation today announced that its research laboratory in Everett Mass., has duplicated the interplanetary shock waves traveling in excess of 1,000,000 miles per hour from the sun to the earth. These shock waves result from solar 'flares,' a particularly violent form of sun spot activity.

Using an Avco 30-inch shock tube triggered by an electrical charge of 4 billion watts, the Avco-Everett Research Laboratory was able to reproduce for the first time thin shock waves which cause magnetic storms around the earth and disturb radio and telephone communications. The million mile an hour gas velocities are believed to be the highest ever achieved in a laboratory.

The announcement was made as the corporation prepared to dedicate an associated facility, the vast new Avco Research Center at nearby Wilmington Mass. The Research Center is occupied by Avco-Everett's sister division, the Research and Advanced Development Division. The Research Center is concerned primarily with the design, development and test of ICBM nose cones and other space age problems. Sixteen million dollars of corporate funds have been invested in this facility.

The experiments at Avco-Everett were under the guid-

ance of Dr. Arthur Kantrowitz, director of the Laboratory and vice president and director of Avco Corporation. Dr. Kantrowitz is internationally known for his work in high-temperature gas dynamics and shock tube technology.

The Everett Laboratory has had the major responsibility for research on the re-entry heating problems of the intercontinental ballistic missiles Atlas, Titan and Minuteman. Data obtained by the Avco-Everett Research Laboratory was fed to contractors on the IRBM and ICBM re-entry problems, resulting in the saving of months of time and millions of dollars in the nation's highest priority defense project.

Joining Dr. Kantrowitz in today's announcement was Prof. Thomas Gold of Harvard and an Avco consultant. In 1953, after hearing a lecture by Dr. Kantrowitz in Cambridge, England, Dr. Gold first advanced the possibility that interplanetary shock waves exist. He pointed out that the gas thrown out by solar flares traveled the 100 million mile distance to the earth, 'squashing' the earth's magnetic field with great suddenness.

However, this suddenness could not be explained by physical principles then understood. Shock waves until then were known to depend upon the collision of molecules or other particles of matter. There simply were not enough particles in space to support the energy transfer of a shock

wave by particle collision.

Gold suggested that perhaps the shock wave traveled by collision of 'force fields' surrounding hydrogen ions and electrons. It was this 'thin' shock wave that was produced at the Avco-Everett Research Laboratory which confirmed this theory. The shock wave is actually thinner than the 'mean free path' of the particles in the shock heated gas.

The significance of this experimental work lies in the clearer understanding of very high temperature (ionized) gas called 'plasma,' its nature and how to confine and direct it by magnetic fields. One and one-half million degree gas temperatures are obtained in the electric shock tube. At this temperature, all known matter would vaporize instantly. In the apparatus, this ultra hot gas is confined with in a 'magnetic wall.'

By using a rarefied mass of hydrogen, pushed by a magnetic field tightly confined in the shock tube on every side except one, velocities in excess of 1,000,000 miles per hour were obtained. The 4 billion watt electrical impulse needed to achieve this wave is produced in the laboratory by discharge from powerful condensers in two millionths of a second.

The electric shock tube which produced this thin, high-speed shock wave was developed by Dr. Richard Patrick, an Avco Physicist, expert in the young science of magnetohydrodynamics (MHD). Earlier experiments

at the Avco-Everett Laboratory had obtained high temperatures in a 'pill-box' apparatus which produced cylindrically converging shock waves in deuterium gas. Drs. G. Sargent Janes and Harry Petschek and Nelson Kemp, all physicists at the Laboratory, are widely known for their contributions to current understanding of MHD. Much of this research has been sponsored by the Air Force Office of Scientific Research in Cambridge, Mass.

IN CHOATE MEMORIAL HOSPITAL.
Mrs. Shirley Cox, of Marion Street, and Jarius Smith, 20 Deming Way, are patients in the Choate Memorial Hospital, in Woburn.

**SELECTMEN THANK SENATOR
MADDEN AND REPS TANNER
AND DONOHUE**

The Board of Selectmen of Wilmington have extended formal thanks to Senator William Madden, of Lexington, and Representatives Frank Tanner of Reading and Thomas P. Donohue of Woburn, for the 'fine work they did, in behalf of the Town of Wilmington, with reference to the recent gravel controversies.

On motion of Selectman Frank Hagerty, Monday night, the Selectmen voted to write a letter to the three men, commending them for their work, and their 'wonderful non-partisan efforts in behalf of the town'

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100 ACRES OF LANDSCAPING

Frost & Higgins of Arlington working in conjunction with Avco landscape architect George Cumming had charge of the hundred acres of landscaping, in the new Avco plant.

Hundreds of small and large trees were planted on the project, some of them coming from upper New York and Pennsylvania. The firm is well equipped for this, having one of the two 'Gooseneck' tree movers in the eastern United States.

Vice President John Pell, of Forest Street, was in charge of the Avco work, with Foreman

Ed Harrington, of Concord, a University of Massachusetts man, in direct charge of the crew.

Last winter's project at Avco - using jack hammers to cut through three feet of frost, was the worst in a generation, for cold weather working. The firm, which has over 60 years of business, cannot recall any planting which was more difficult, from the weather angle. Frost & Higgins were the landscapers for Wilmington High School, the American Mutual Insurance Building in Wakefield, and at present are landscaping Pleasure Island, on Route 128.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE AND SELECTMEN AGREE ON GLEN ROAD SCHOOL PLAYGROUND

The Glen Road School playground is to be made as large as practicable, according to an informal agreement of the Wilmington School Committee, and the Board of Selectmen, who met Monday evening in the Town Hall.

In a meeting attended by Larry Cushing, Athletic Director of the Schools, and John Collins, Superintendent of Schools, with Al Kasabuski, President of the Wilmington Little League as an interested observer, the two boards decided that because of the lack of playground space at other schools it should be planned to enlarge the Glen Road school playground to the largest extent practicable, while the school was playing.

Arthur V. Lynch, veteran School Committee member voiced the opinion of others when he stated that playgrounds are for girls and boys, and that playground space is fast disappearing, in Wilmington.

Lynch also expressed the opinion that the Permanent Building Committee, in charge of building the off Glen Road School is burdened with too many responsibilities.

He pointed out that within a few months the committee will probably be charged with the building of another school, in the western part of Wilmington and that they are now building a school off Glen Road, and are getting ready to build a Town Highway Garage, and new Police Station.

MRS JOHN LAPPER

Funeral services for Mrs. John Lapper of Glenale Circle were held Monday afternoon, in the Wilmington Methodist Church, with the Rev. Richard Harding officiating.

Mrs Lapper, who had been attending a class reunion, (Woburn High School, Class of 1949) in Lynnfield, died suddenly, on the way home, early Friday morning.

Both Mrs Lapper and her husband were employees of the J. W. Greer Company of Wilmington. She is survived by her husband, four sisters, Mrs. Helen O'Riley and Mrs. Eleanor Crowley of Woburn, Mrs. Dorothy Schmitz of Medford, and Sister Jean, of the St. James Convent in Arlington, and three brothers, John Garvey of Woburn, Kenneth Garvey, of Winchester, and William Garvey, serving in Germany with the US Army.

Interment was in the family lot in Wildwood Cemetery. The Nichols Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

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Week of May 18

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TOWN COUNSEL SAYS SUPREME COURT FIGHT WOULD BE COSTLY
Town Counsel Philip Buzzell, Wednesday morning pointed out that a fight over the DPU decision on train traffic in Wilmington could prove to be costly, if the decision were to go to the Supreme Court. The expenses for such a fight he declared, could hardly be born by the Town of Wilmington alone - it would be necessary to have outside assistance. At the time of his comment he had had no opportunity to talk with Reading officials to find the sentiment there, regarding the DPU order. Wilmington and Reading cooperated, in the arguments before the Massachusetts Department of Public Utilities, with the City of Woburn refusing to participate. Commenting on the proposal of the DPM to abandon service at the North Wilmington station Mr. Buzzell said he was not yet certain as to what the order really meant. If it means a complete abandonment of the track, he pointed out, such an order would have to be approved by the United States Interstate Commerce Commission.

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS
Wilmington women are planning to meet next Tuesday afternoon, to discuss the formation of a League of Women Voters. Transportation and information may be obtained from Mrs. John MacGahan, of Columbia Street. OL 3-4336.

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING IN JUNE?
Indications last Thursday night were that the Board of Selectmen may call a Special Town Meeting during the month

of June, in order to start proceedings on the building of a new school - needed by Sept. 1960. The new school will probably be in the Poutwell Street area which is the first choice, but may be in another location. No definite decision was made as to either the school site or the date of the Town Meeting, but was, rather, part of a long discussion in which members of five different committees, plus a few assorted officials took part. Present were members of the Selectmen, School Committee, Planning Board, Finance Committee, and Permanent Building Committee, as well as Town Manager, Principal Assessor, Superintendent of Schools, High School Principal and Athletic Director. The discussion was a part of a preliminary report, given by Charles Downes, member of the Economic Development Associates, firm hired by the Planning Board to develop Capital Outlay plans, and survey needs for school sites and park needs. The firm is being paid \$8700, half of which is coming from the Federal government. Downes, in charge of the school needs program, had a complete series of maps and estimates drawn up - one that Danny Gillis, chairman of the Planning Board admitted could never have been done by his board. A school a year Downes told the assembled group that Wilmington would have to build a school a year until 1970 - the limit of his survey - with the possible exception of 1963. He recommended planning for six 12 room schools, for elementary grades, and three 10 room schools for intermed-

iate grades, excluding in his talk the off-Glen Road school which is supposed to be ready for use this September. **Tentative Elementary** Tentative sites recommended, for elementary schools, together with completion dates were: Near Poutwell Street, Sept. 1960; near Park Street, Sept. 1962; near Hopkins Street, Sept. 1965; and near Pallardvale Street, on land presently owned by the town, Sept. 1967. Two other schools, of the elementary class were recommended, one for Lowell Street and the other for Butters Row but no date was put on either building. **Intermediate Schools.** Downes recommended planning for three intermediate schools, one in the south of the town, one in the west, and one in the north. These schools were recommended to be 10 room buildings capable of being expanded to 20 rooms. He recommended the West

School near the present West School, to be ready in Sept. 1961; a school in South Wilmington in Sept. 1963, and in North Wilmington in Sept. 1966. According to the planning of

Downes, it would probably be necessary to make an addition to the West School, of another 10 rooms, in 1968, and to either the south or north school in 1970.

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TM GETS COUNTERMAND OF ORDERS

Town Manager Fred Calabrese received a countermand of orders, Monday evening, with regard to work on Wilmington Streets.

Work is to start on Woburn Street, at the very first opportunity, by order of the Board of Selectmen.

The order, on motion of Selectman Frank Hagerty, was the direct result of a visit of six Woburn Street neighbors, who were complaining of the condition of Woburn Street as a result of the sewer mains being laid, last summer.

From Prentwood Avenue to the Woburn line the street is with out a good surface. It was oiled, last fall, just before the freeze, along with Prentwood Avenue, both of which had been torn up for the mains.

The Prentwood Avenue oiling the residents said, remained in fair condition, but the Woburn Street oiling did not last.

Since then, because of the cold weather it was impossible to further oil the street, although it had been scraped and otherwise surfaced on several occasions.

Shady Lane Drive Work on Shady Lane Drive, which started this week, and was to continue for about two weeks has been indefinitely postponed as a result, as has work on Fairmeadow Drive.

TM Calabrese pointed out to the Selectmen that he has only so much money, and 12 men. He has to schedule the work, and on orders of the previous week he was doing Shady Lane Drive and scheduling Fairmeadow Road.

He had postponed, temporarily the work on Shady Lane Drive because of a particularly advantageous situation that developed on Park Street, he told the Selectmen. The State Highway Engineer, in charge of the Route 93 work in this sector had offered to have the contractor pave with bituminous concrete a section of Park Street 700 feet long, which the town would ordinarily have to do, using Chapter 90 Funds (State, Town and

County).

The work by the state would mean a savings of some thousands of dollars for the town - money which could be used on Chapter 90 roads elsewhere in town, Calabrese told the Selectmen - but the State Engineer required that the town provide the sub-grade for the Park Street work immediately, as the contractor is expected to start surfacing Route 93 in a few weeks.

Calabrese now has the Highway Department on Park Street, and they will finish this work before transferring to Woburn St

IS THERE AN ADEQUATE SCIENCE AND MATHEMATICS PROGRAM IN THE WILMINGTON HIGH SCHOOL?

A PANEL DISCUSSION
 8 pm, Tuesday, 19 May 1959
 Wilmington High School
 Auditorium

Final meeting of the 1958-59 School Year of the Wilmington Junior-Senior High School PTA. During the recent Town Election Campaign, the quality of the programs offered in our school system was a matter at issue. During the Candidate's Night at one of the local civic associations, a heated debate on this matter broke out; unfortunately, time did not permit more than a brief discussion of this vital topic.

This 19 May PTA Meeting will be devoted to an examination of one part of our school programs, those in Science and Mathematics. Panel Members, the audience will be encouraged to participate in the discussion. The objectives of the discussions will be:

1. To determine how adequate our math and science program are.
2. If significant deficiencies are found to exist, to determine: a. Which of these are within the power of the school administration to correct. B. Which deficiencies are correctable only with support from ourselves and others in our roles as parents and citizens. Members of the Panel will include:

1. Dr Dudley Fack, Asst. Prof of Electrical Engineering at MIT and member of the Wilmington School committee.

2. Mr. A. C. (Gus) Walker,

Consultant to AVCO and a member of the Faculty at the Lowell Technological Institute.

3. Mr. Francis J. Hagerty of the J. W. Greer Co., who is familiar with the high school training of those students enrolled in Greer's Skill Improvement Course.

4. Miss Elene Farello, Head of Science Department, Wilmington High School.

5. Mr. Francis Kelley, Teacher of Mathematics, Wilmington High School.

In accordance with the By-Laws of the Association, the meeting will be preceded by a 7-8 p.m. parent-teacher conference period. William K. Widger, Jr., President.

FIRST RECOVERED ICBM NOSE CONE TO BE UNVEILED-AT AVCO TODAY

The first man-made object in history to arch into space, travel the full ICBM distance of 5,000 miles and be recovered after plunging back into the earth's atmosphere at 15,000 M.P.H. will be unveiled to day at the dedication of the Avco Research Center, Wilmington, Massachusetts.

The object, a Thor-able Re-Entry Vehicle which hurtled from Cape Canaveral, Florida to a point off Ascension Island last month, will be unveiled by Lt. Gen. Bernard A. Schriever, Head of the Air Research and Development Command.

The vast new Avco Research Center will mark its dedication with a panel appraisal of 'Mankind in the Space Age.' Participating will be nine distinguished scientists, including two nobel prize winners. Leaders of science, government and the military services will be among guests at a dedication luncheon following the panel.

Avco scientists had a major role in solving the Re-Entry problem of intercontinental ballistic missiles. The company has been assigned research, development and production responsibility for the nose cone of the Air Force Titan ICBM. It also has been awarded research and development responsibility for the nose cone of the follow-on Minuteman solid-fueled ICBM.

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The intangible aspects of such a research center—those of prestige and public-acclaim—are probably just beginning to be felt. The dedication on Thursday will underscore what such a program means for the future of the Greater-Lowell, Greater-Boston, Massachusetts and New England communities.

The ceremonies, today will not be public. All guests are attending by personal invitation only and a total of some 300 distinguished persons in the government, military, science, industry and communications are expected.

Hosts for the day's ceremonies at Wilmington are James R. Kerr, president of Avco Research and Advanced Development division, and Victor Emanuel and Kenrick R. Wilson, Jr., chairman of the board and president of Avco corporation, respectively.

The formal dedication program begins at 10 a. m. with opening remarks by Rep. Edith Nourse Rogers of Lowell and the Massachusetts Fifth congressional district.

The program will be highlighted by a scientific panel discussion on "Mankind in the Space Age."

Many noted scientists participating on the panel will be: Dr. Hans A. Bethe, professor of physics at Cornell university; Dr. Peter J. W. Debye, professor-emeritus of chemistry at Cornell and a Nobel Prize winner; Dr. Isidor I. Rabi, professor of physics at Columbia university and also a Nobel Prize winner; Dr. E. R. Piore, director of research for IBM; Dr. Clifford C. Furnas, chancellor of the University of Buffalo; Dr. Thomas Gold, professor of astronomy at Harvard university; Dr. Harold C. Weber, professor of chemical engineering at MIT and chief scientific adviser to the U. S. Army; Dr. Dorothy M. Simon, technical assistant to the president of Avco RAD, and Dr. Arthur Kantrowitz, di-

rector of the Avco-Everett Research laboratory.

John Daly, American Broadcasting company vice president and news chief, and Bob Considine, newsman and commentator, will serve as moderators of the discussion.

Luncheon for the guests will be served in the company cafeteria with the following speakers scheduled: Governor Foster Furcolo; Lt. Gen. Bernard A. Schriever, commander of Air Research and Development command; Maj. Gen. Samuel E. Anderson, commander of Air Materiel command; Dr. T. Keith Glennan, director of National Aeronautics and Space administration.

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Dear Larz:
I was of the opinion that Little League was for all youngsters, regardless of their capabilities. If this is true than possibly an error or a lost card has resulted in a disappointed boy who would like to play ball.

May be he can't play well, but he enjoys the game - and after all I did volunteer my services, but I surely will not if my son is not participating in Little League ball.

Sincerely,
E. H. Rideout
No. Wilm., Mass.

The Wilmington Little League is short of playgrounds, in spite of all their efforts. There were 300 boys who applied this year, and only 180 could be taken into the Little League teams.

The League officials hope to have two Little Leagues in Wilmington next year, but before they can do so they need (1) more room for ballfields, and (2) more men to coach, and women to assist in the Little League Auxiliary.

WILMINGTON PARENT TEACHER COUNCIL SCHOLASTIC FUND BALL

On Saturday evening, May 16th at 8 p.m., The Wilmington Council of P.T.A. will present its Third Annual Scholastic Fund Ball in the beautifully decorated High School gymnasium with an Underwater decor predominating. The proceeds, as always, will be for scholarships to those deserving graduates who plan to enter College or Normal School in pursuit of teaching careers. These awards have been regularly made during past years, but this year possibly three students will be eligible.

Therefore, the Council hopes this will be a banner event financially. Socially, it will be a success, for it is an event always eagerly awaited in town.

The music will be by Norm White and his Orchestra; Mr. Ken Lyons will act as Master of Ceremonies; there will be best dancer awards; the Gouley dance team will present a delightful dance exhibition; and refreshments will be available. Mrs. Ruth Gouley, the very popular dancing teacher for the school children in ballroom dancing, will give Cha Cha instructions at the dance to all interested person.

On that evening the three winners of the High School PTA poster contest will be announced. Three prizes of money are being awarded by the P.T.A. Council for the best posters advertising the dance. A committee comprised of Miss Anderson and Mr. Clano of the High School faculty and Mrs. Kenneth Lyons have already selected the winners.

These evenings are always so enjoyable that a great many who do not dance attend and spend a pleasurable evening sitting and chatting at the tables surrounding the dance floor.

CONGREGATIONAL CHRISTIAN CONFERENCE

The 160th annual three-day convention of the 601 church Massachusetts Congregational Christian Conference will be held in the Dane Street Congregational Church in Faverly, Mass. on May 18 thru May 20. The President of the Conference, Rev. Dr. Albert J. Penner will preside over the three day convention.

GIRL SCOUTS PLANNING TRAINING COURSE

A series of training courses, for Girl Scout leaders, is being planned by the Greater Lowell Girl Scout Council. Mrs. Mulligan, of the Greater Lowell Troop Service Committee visited Wilmington Tuesday morning to discuss the program with the local leaders.

There will be two types of courses - training courses for new leaders, and training courses for women who have already had experience. The courses are to be very complete, covering all phases of Scouting for Girls.

The courses will probably be held in Lowell, but if enough Wilmington women are interested courses will be held in this town.

They will run continuously from the early fall months through the winter to May of 1960.

REGISTRATION FOR GIRL SCOUT SUMMER DAY CAMP

Mrs. Clara Crotty, of Silverhurst Avenue is the chairman of the committee which is presently receiving registrations for the Wilmington Girl Scout Summer Camp (Camp Wigisidaca). The day camp is held annually for two weeks at Camp Forty Acres, in North Wilmington. This year it will be during the first two weeks in July, Monday through Thursday.

There will be a new Camp Director this year, Mrs. Robert E. Lambert, of Tyngsboro. Mrs. Lambert is the Lowell Greater Council Director, and will conduct a camp for two weeks in Groton, then two weeks in Wilmington, and finally two weeks in Fillerica.

The Wilmington Girl Scout leaders are now looking for Counselors, for the Day Camp. Registration ends on May 23rd

BRENDA CORCORAN TO BE IN FASHION SHOW FRIDAY

Miss Brenda Corcoran, daughter of Mr and Mrs. John W. Corcoran of Aldrich Road, is taking a very active part in the twenty-fifth annual Fashion Show, to be presented by the Modern School of Fashion and Design, in Boston.

The presentation, 'Collection - '59' will take place in the Oval Room of the Sheraton Plaza Hotel, tomorrow evening. All tickets for the show have been sold.

Miss Corcoran, a Junior in the Fashion Department of the school, will be seen on the runway modeling several of her original designs. She has also been selected as an usher for the Commencement Exercises to be held at the school on the afternoon of May 23rd.

The Modern School of Fashion and Design, established in 1934, specializes in training for careers in Fashion Designing as well as in Interior Decorating Merchandising. The school, a non-profit organization, maintains a limited enrollment to assure the individual attention the meticulous training requires. Brenda will enter her final year of training next September.

FREE BALLET CLASSES

Free Ballet classes are being offered at the Wilmington School of Ballet, rear of 122 Church Street, starting Friday. The classes are being started at that time because of time limitations.

The teacher, Miss Wanece Chislette has received a 'Certification of Merit', and her school is approved by the National Association of Dance and Affiliated Artists, Inc.

COMPLETES COURSE AT WENTWORTH INSTITUTE

David A. Williamson, of Federal Street has been awarded a Wentworth Institute Evening School Credit Card, for the completion of a course in tool design, and die design, in the evening school program, it was announced today by H. Russell Peatty, Wentworth Institute President.

FIRM WANTS TO BUY BACK TAX TITLE LAND

The Brookline Realty Trust, former owner of land at the corner of Fridge Lane and Main Street has, in a letter to the Town of Wilmington, offered to pay up back taxes, if it can regain the title to the property.

The letter was considered in the Board of Selectmen's meeting, Monday evening, and then tabled until a report could be had from the Town Treasurer, regarding the state of paid-up and owed taxes on the property.

If the Brookline Realty succeeds in regaining title to its land it will be the second time that this firm has so paid up back taxes for this property. Some years ago, when Frank Walters was the principal Assessor of Wilmington the firm settled a claim for taxes amounting to over \$5000.

GIGANTIC ANNUAL RUMMAGE SALE

The huge 2-day Rummage Sale by St. Agnes Guild Thrift Shop will be held Friday and Saturday, May 22 and 23 from 10 to 4 p.m. and 9:30 to 12 Saturday. A great conglomeration of very useful articles have been collected and will be on hand for the thrifty homemaker among the thousands of articles to be offered in the shop's wind-up sale.

Quality used rugs in various sizes will be available at very low prices, as well as china, furniture, pictures, cooking utensils, electrical appliances and quantities of good used clothing.

An excellent all-day plan, designed to serve customers waiting for new contributions to arrive will be the coffee shop which will operate all during the sale.

Collections for all good, used articles or furnishings may be made by calling RE-2916, RE-2-3641 or RE-2-277-R. The Thrift Shop will be open to receive contributions neatly packed in boxes or bags, Tuesday and Thursday afternoons. On other days, packages may be left in the school hall between the hours of 8 - 3 p.m.

WILMINGTON WOMEN'S CLUB ANNUAL LUNCHEON

The Wilmington Women's Club will hold its annual spring luncheon on Thursday, May 21, at the '1775' House on Rt. 2 in Lexington, at 1:00 p.m. This is always one of the nicest social affairs of the club year. Reservation cards have been mailed to all the members and it is hoped that replies will be received by May 16. The committee in charge is as follows: Mrs Raymond McClure, Mrs Laurence Dowling, Mrs Harold Garrett, and Mrs Frank Stevens, Chairman.



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Money-making party notices will be included in the classified column at the rate of \$1.00 for each 25 words.

SALE OF WOOLENS - Saturday May 23rd, 9 am. 33 Hartshoren St. Reading, READING 2-0579R. All materials \$1.50 a yard. M14, 21

For Sale: Small sized house trailer, two bunks, sink, closet. 110 volts. \$300. Call Ulysses 1-2543, evenings M14

Wanted: House Lots, on finished street of acreage. William A. Bears, 53 Summer Ave, Reading.

HOUSEKEEPER. Reliable, mature woman, bereft of own home, active, excellent health, good cook, desires position as housekeeper for a retired or business man. A good home with pleasant surroundings more appreciated than higher wages.

Preferably in vicinity of Center or not too far distant. References. Box AA, Town Crier No. Wilmington. M7, 14

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TOWN OF WILMINGTON MASSACHUSETTS



The Town Hall will be open from 9 am to 5 pm next Saturday, May 16, during which time the Town Clerk, Mrs. Russell, will distribute new numbered identification tags to residents of Wilmington who use the Town Beach during the summer.

All other tags which have been in use in the past are now obsolete and will not be honored in the future.

At the time of distribution a file will be set up with the person's name and number of the tag. If the tag is lost a charge will be made for a re-issue and recording.

The Planning Board requests your appearance at the Town Hall this Saturday, if you want a tag, so that the Town Clerk will not have to be interrupted during her regular work week for this responsibility.

A. Daniel Gillis, Chairman,
Wilmington Planning Board.

TOWN OF WILMINGTON BOARD OF SELECTMEN PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Selectmen will hold a public hearing in the Town Hall at 8:45 pm May 25, 1959, on the application of Avco, 201 Lowell Street, to store 8820 cubic feet of hydrogen in 30 cylinders and 2240 cubic feet of oxygen in 10 cylinders, above ground, in Building No. 4.

Donald C. Kidder, Chmn.
Board of Selectmen

BOARD OF SELECTMEN PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Selectmen will hold a public hearing in the Town Hall at 8:50 pm May 25, 1959, on the application of AVCO, 201 Lowell St., to store 50,000 gallons of No 6 boiler fuel in two underground tanks of 25,000 gallons each, at Building No. 4.

Donald C. Kidder, Chmn.
Board of Selectmen

BOARD OF SELECTMEN PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Selectmen will hold a public hearing in the Town Hall at 8:55 pm May 25, 1959, on the application of AVCO, 201 Lowell St., to store 5000 gallons of No 2 Fuel in an underground tank at Building No. 5.

Donald C. Kidder, Chmn.
Board of Selectmen

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

LAND COURT

No. 29279 Misc.

IN EQUITY

(seal)
To William Beard, formerly of Wilmington in the County of Middlesex and said Commonwealth, or his heirs, devisees or legal representatives;

GREETING:
Whereas a suit in equity has been begun against you in our Land Court, by Joseph B. Sweeney and Dorothy E. Sweeney, of Lexington in said County of Middlesex; and Richard D. Bales-trieri and Barbara J. Bales-trieri of said Wilmington;

WE COMMAND YOU, if you intend to make any defense, that on the first Monday of JULY next, which Monday is the return day of this subpoena, or within such further time as the law allows, you do cause your written appearance to be entered and your written answer or other lawful pleading to be filed in the office of the recorder of said court at Foston in the County of Suffolk, and

further that you defend against said suit according to law, if you intend to make any defense, and that you do and receive what the court shall order, adjudge and decree therein.

Hereof fail not, at your peril, as otherwise said suit may be adjudged, and orders decrees entered therein, in your absence.

The plaintiffs allege to be the owners of certain land located on Woburn Street in said Wilmington, and there appears in the chain of title affecting said property a foreclosure deed and affidavit executed in accordance with a default contained in a mortgage given by William Beard to Amos H. Miller dated April 7, 1886 and recorded with Middlesex North District Deeds in Book 180, Page 267, the foreclosure deed and affidavit being recorded in Book 280, Page 476 on January 5, 1897, which was more than thirty days after the date of the foreclosure sale which took place on June 10, 1896, and praying that their title be confirmed free and clear of said cloud.

And it appearing to the Court upon the suggestion of the plaintiffs that the whereabouts of the defendants are unknown and they cannot actually be served with process, it is ORDERED that notice be given by publishing a copy of this order once a week for three successive weeks in the Town Crier of Wilmington, a newspaper published in said Wilmington, the last publication to be one month at least before said first Monday of July next.

Witness, JOHN E. FENTON, Judge of our Land Court, the fifteenth day of April in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and fifty-nine.

Sybil H. Holmes
Recorder

A true copy,
Attest:
Sybil H. Holmes, Recorder.
A30, M7, 14

LEGAL NOTICE

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in General Court assembled.

The undersigned, citizen of MASSACHUSETTS, respectfully petition for the passage of the accompanying bill for legislation authorizing the town of Wilmington to use certain funds for the purpose of developing additional well fields, including wells, pipes and original pumping station equipment.

(signed) F.D. Tanner
M7-14-21
Reading, Mass.

LEGAL NOTICE

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Middlesex, ss. Probate Court

To Winford F. Cox of parts unknown.

A libel has been presented by said Court by your wife - Shirley R. Cox praying that a divorce from the bond of matrimony between herself and you be decreed for the cause of cruel and abusive treatment and praying for alimony and for custody of and allowance for minor child.

If you desire to object there to, you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Cambridge within twenty-one days from the twentieth day of August 1959, the return day of this citation.

Witness John C. Leggat, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this seventh day of May 1959.

John V. Harvey, Register
M14, 21, 28

HAGERTY WANTS TO FIGHT RAILROAD TO SUPREME COURT

Francis J. Hagerty, selectman of Wilmington, Wednesday morning issued a public statement in which he indicated that he felt the Town of Wilmington should contest the order of the State Department of Public Utilities.

Hagerty said that the decision of the DPU, permitting the rerouting of the North Wilmington line through the Wildcat branch would be fought by the Selectmen all the way to the Supreme Court 'if necessary'.

The 32 trains a day, to be on the Wildcat Railroad will immeasurably harm our business district, in Wilmington Square Mr. Hagerty declared. We are preparing to completely redevelop this area, through Urban Renewal, but the tie-up of traffic, because of the Main Street crossing of the Wildcat can ruin all this, he added.

In addition to this Hagerty pointed out that hundreds of Wilmington residents would be forced to travel a mile or one and one half miles, to get to either the Wilmington depot, or the proposed new station on Salem Street. The new station on Salem Street might benefit people in South Tewksbury, but it will help only a small part of our people, Hagerty stated.

FIRE DETECTION APPARATUS

A surprise visit of the Fire Chief, Arthur Foudreau, to the Board of Selectmen, Monday night left ruffled tempers on the part of all concerned - the Fire Chief, the Selectmen and Town Manager Calabrese.

The Chief, together with a Charles Jones, who was introduced as a salesman for the Minneapolis-Honeywell Company appeared at the door of the meeting room at about 8:40 pm and left 25 minutes later, after several of those present had expressed sharp opinions.

Foudreau opened the discussion by telling the Selectmen that he had learned to his surprise, last Thursday that a device called the HOME PROTECT OR was being installed in the schools for fire alarm purposes. He related that he had checked this device, which is manufactured by Minneapolis Honeywell, with the National Fire Protective Association, which is an organization which rates fire-prevention devices for insurance companies, and 'they laughed at me'.

The device, according to the Chief was of no value.

He then called the manufacturer, and as a result Mr Jones came out.

Jones told the Selectmen that Minneapolis Honeywell had recently learned that some of its distributors were selling the apparatus, and that he, Jones, had recently lost sev-

eral bids, one of them in Woburn, to these distributors. He was selling another type of Minneapolis-Honeywell Fire Detector, which he said was 'commercial' as against the other type, which he labeled as a 'home' protector.

The chief also charged that the apparatus was being placed in wrong places - it should be placed in closets he said and under stairwells.

Black intercedes

Selectman Charles Black interceded to ask 'Has this been discussed with the Town Manager?' 'Why are we getting into this?'

Chairman Kidder 'I don't know anything about it. I recall that the Town Manager told us that the sprinklers would cost too much. He (the Chief) asked us for a meeting. Two schools are finished, I understand, and five to go.

The Fire Chief feels that these shouldn't go in.

TM Calabrese: I made it clear to the board that these protection devices were in addition to the regular fire alarm that we are installing in all the schools. These are to give extra protection - they set up an alarm in the school - in no way are they superseding the regular devices.

Somebody asked if it was a serious matter to add these devices.

Fire Chief: Serious? I don't know whether they will give us

merits or demerits.

Jones: They are marketed by a different organization - they are not UL approved. Designed for home protection. Tough spot we're in. I have a commercial set that meets all requirements - I am just trying to explain.

Jones had a sample with him, which he demonstrated. The sound of the bell was not too loud, but Jones also stated that he didn't think the power was right.

Calabrese: In the average school in Wilmington, if a fire starts, we have to wait until someone discovers it, before we ring in the alarm. These are being installed so as to give a few moments extra warning.

All of our schools are to be equipped with the regular fire alarm systems - any objections to that?

Jones: Will there be a regular manual system?

TM: Yes, and this is in addition. I am asking you point blank if this does any harm!

Jones: They (NFPA) say they would not like to see this in place of something else. I don't think there should be two fire alarm systems in a building - might confuse someone.

Chief: For this system the heat has to be 135 degrees - we should have the type where the alarm is sounded if the heat goes up 15 degrees in one minute.

Jones: There are two different systems, one with an open circuit and one with a closed circuit. This is at a disadvantage. For the amount of money you should forget some of the schools and put in the commercial kind in two or three schools.

TM: Will you get me a letter from your company?

Black: For my money, if these are as bad as you say they are with the Minneapolis Honeywell label on them, I think your company ought to compensate the town.

Jones: We turned this type over to a distributor in St. Paul, and now he is selling them locally.

Black: Yes, but it has your name.

Calabrese: If it is worthless like you say, Minneapolis-Honeywell is perpetrating a fraud.

Black: (to Fire Chief) I think you should have come up

here and talked it over with the Town Manager first.

Chief: I just learned about this last Thursday - the Town Manager was out of town Friday and I was busy today.

Black: He has a telephone. The Town Manager was here all day today.

Chief: I am not going around with a chip on my shoulder.

De Felice: Can't you call the TM?

Mrs. Drew: The School Committee has been waiting now for five minutes.

Later Discussion

At the end of the meeting Kidder brought up the subject again.

'The board was fully cognizant that this was being done, and approved, but I am completely confused in that I can't believe that we awarded a contract without the head of a department being aware of it and didn't know. He had to stumble on to it. To my way of thinking this could have been prevented if there had been harmony between the Fire Chief and the Town Manager.

But I think from what was said tonight that we ought to check into this. Minneapolis Honeywell is a big outfit, and if they are taking this model out of the market -

De Felice: I can't understand how a salesman would slam his own company.

Hagerty: My interpretation was that he was defending it.

TM: It is something that is an addition to the regular fire alarm.

Hagerty: How much do these cost?

TM: \$285 to \$485 - we are doing it on a per school basis - in addition there is the cost of Ray Fitch (electrician)

Kidder: The parent company doesn't want these, apparently in Wilmington.

De Felice: Nor in Woburn. Let the Town Manager have his chance to listen to Minneapolis-Honeywell, rather than to listen to a salesman.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

Josephine Eremo and assoc. to Francis P Mahoney and wife, Fairfield Street.

Valentine J Gudezauskas and wife to Richard D Nolan Jr and wife, Faulkner Road.

John P Francis to Veronica Cormier, St. Paul St.

Leo Lefranc and wife to Louis R Corso and wife, Lowell St.



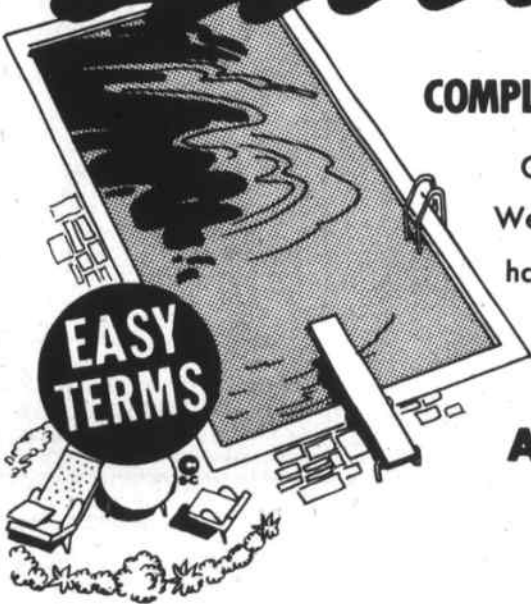
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